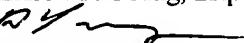


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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the information identified in the attached form PTO-1449. A copy of the related art references are enclosed. It is requested that the information and art be made of record and included on the 'references cited' portion of any patent issuing from this application and closely reviewed by the Examiner.

Applicants respectfully submit that the submission of the above documents is sufficient to enable full review under the applicable rules, codes, and sections.

Applicants respectfully request that the examiner consider the enclosed reference materials in the examination of this application and initial as noted on the form.

No fees are deemed necessary for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement, as it is being filed before a first office action in this Application. However, if any fees are necessary in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, please contact us for immediate service.

The concise explanation of relevance of the non-English language references is found in the translations of the abstracts of each of the German language references. See MPEP §609 A(3).

It is noted that DE 199 03 875 C2 is provided with DE 199 03 875 A1 and it's translated abstract. It is also noted that DE 196 48 562 C2 is provided with DE 196 48 562 A1 and it's translated abstract. In reviewing the exact same drawings and filing information for each case, it is proposed that they are the same or substantially the same case, and the relevance of the C2 reference is similar to the A1 reference. Applicants will respond immediately if there are any questions in this matter.

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It is therefore believed that the Examiner will concur with applicant's belief that the subject matter presently claimed is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious by such references.

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